

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 1. (Currently Amended) A method in a computing system for generating an
2 expense report, comprising:
3 displaying controls including a first button and a second button;
4 in response to each activation of the first button:
5 creating a new activity item;
6 establishing a user-selected activity type for the created activity item;
7 creating an expense item;
8 consulting a predetermined mapping from activity types to expense types
9 to automatically establish an expense type for the created expense
10 item;
11 setting an unreported flag for the created expense item; and
12 in response to each activation of the second button, without any further user
13 input subsequent to the activation of the second button:
14 creating a new expense report;
15 for each created expense item having a set unreported flag:
16 adding the created expense item to the created expense report;
17 clearing the created expense item's unreported flag; and
18 submitting the created expense report containing the added created expense
19 items.

1 2. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising, in response to
2 each activation of the first button:
3 establishing for the created activity item a date designated by a user for the
4 activity item; and

5 without ~~further~~ user input specifying a date for the created expense item,
6 establishing for the created expense item the same date designated by a
7 user for the activity item.

1 3. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium whose contents cause a
2 computing system to perform a process for generating an expense report,
3 comprising:
4 displaying controls including an activity item creation button and an expense
5 report creation button;
6 in response to each activation of the activity item creation button:
7 creating a new activity item;
8 establishing a user-selected activity type for the created activity item;
9 creating an expense item;
10 consulting a predetermined mapping from activity types to expense types
11 to automatically establish an expense type for the created expense
12 item;
13 setting an unreported flag for the created expense item; and
14 in response to each activation of the expense report creation button, irrespective
15 of any further user input subsequent to the activation of the second button:
16 creating a new expense report;
17 for each created expense item having a set unreported flag:
18 adding the created expense item to the created expense report;
19 clearing the created expense item's unreported flag; and
20 submitting the created expense report containing the added created expense
21 items.

1 4. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 3 wherein the
2 process further comprises, in response to each activation of the first button:
3 establishing for the created activity item a date designated by a user for the
4 activity item; and
5 without ~~further~~ user input specifying a date for the created expense item,
6 establishing for the created expense item the same date designated by a
7 user for the activity item.

1 5. (Currently Amended) A computing system for generating an expense report,
2 comprising:
3 a control display subsystem that displays controls including a first button and a
4 second button;
5 a first button activation processing subsystem that, in response to each activation
6 of the first button:
7 creates a new activity item;
8 establishes a user-selected activity type for the created activity item;
9 creates an expense item;
10 uses a predetermined mapping from activity types to expense types to
11 automatically establish an expense type for the created expense
12 item;
13 sets an unreported flag for the created expense item; and
14 a second button activation processing subsystem that, in response to each
15 activation of the second button, without any further user input subsequent
16 to the activation of the second button:
17 creates a new expense report;
18 for each created expense item having a set unreported flag:

19 adds the created expense item to the created expense report;
20 clears the created expense item's unreported flag; and
21 submits the created expense report containing the added created expense items.

1 6. (Currently Amended) The computing system of claim 5, further comprising a
2 date designation system that, in response to each activation of the first button:
3 establishes for the created activity item a date designated by a user for the
4 activity item; and
5 without further user input specifying a date for the created expense item,
6 establishes for the created expense item the same date designated by a
7 user for the activity item.